

**Conclusion**

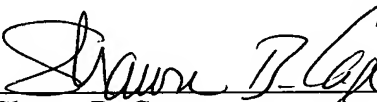
Based on at least the foregoing remarks, Applicants submit that claims 1-23 are allowable, and this application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants request a favorable examination and consideration of the instant application. In the event the instant application can be placed in even better form, Applicants request that the undersigned attorney be contacted at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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